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LB 637

Senator Murphy about the co-ops, I have been critical of the co-ops for quite a while for the....because they have not been involved in alcohol plants, but I think they have a conflict of interest, Senator Murphy. They have refineries that use crude oil, so I think we can't expect them to go in competition with themselves. As far as the land, Senator Kelly.....Senator Kelly, are you listening? Senator Kelly, you mentioned the land. I think I have got an answer to that. Most communities would be willing to donate the land just to get an alcohol plant. I know of a gentleman at Western...has a parcel by a railroad right of way and he told me he would be willing to donate about twenty acres of his land if they could get an alcohol plant on his farm. I think there is every community in the State of Nebraska would be willing to donate the land if they could only get an alcohol plant and bring the jobs and the market for the grain that would be provided by an alcohol plant. Mr. President, I move that LB 637 be advanced to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: All right, that was Senator Maresh's closing. The motion then is the advance of LB 637 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Well, Senator Maresh, it looks like it's....Senator Maresh, I don't know how many are here. There are about... the usual ten are absent.

SENATOR MARESH: Ten, or....

PRESIDENT: The usual....we have got about ten of them that are either excused for the day or are temporarily absent. They are excused, however. So we have got ten absent.

SENATOR MARESH: I think if we are slow at recording the vote we may not have to have a Call of the House, but if...

PRESIDENT: Well, it would be nice for once, but it doesn't look like it is going to happen so.

SENATOR MARESH: Okay.

PRESIDENT: All right, we'll have a Call of the House.

SENATOR MARESH: We are going to get votes for sure.

PRESIDENT: All right...

SENATOR MARESH: Let's have a Call of the House.